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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| In re Application of: | |
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| King, et al. | |
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| For: MODULATION OF PERICYTE PROLIFERATION |))) |
| Examiner: Michail A. Belyavskyi, Ph.D. |) |
| Group Art Unit No.: 1644 | ·) |
| Confirmation No.: 2649 | |

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants respectfully requests consideration and entry of the following amendment to claim 3 in advance of consideration of Applicants' Response to Office Action of October 6, 2003 with Restriction Requirement filed herewith.

Amendments to the Claims is reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.